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- Taxpayers have a right to have a federal government that does not grow beyond their ability to pay for it.
- Taxpayers have a right to receive back each dollar they entrust to the government for their retirement.
- Taxpayers have a right to expect the government to balance the budget without having their taxes raised.
- Taxpayers have a right to a simple, fair tax code that they can understand.

In thirty-four of the last thirty-eight years, the federal government has spent more money than it has taken in. This has happened with every combination of Republicans or Democrats controlling Congress and the White House. This kind of irresponsible behavior can no longer be sustained by raising taxes or simply passing our debts on to future generations.

It is in that spirit that my colleagues and I rolled out this ambitious plan today. Americans deserve a system that is based on responsible budgeting, smart decisions making, and a more transparency. My colleagues and I believe the American Taxpayer Bill of Rights will create a foundation for an efficient and common sense budget process. The Taxpayer Bill of Rights will elevate the debate in Washington regarding fiscal issues and make it clear what it means to stand for responsibility in government. We believe Americans will endorse this set of principals and call on Congress to enact them.

If we had these policies in place now, we would be able to stop the ridiculous waste you can see below in the proposed supplemental.